REMARKS

The <u>first</u> preliminary amendment canceled multiple dependent claims 3, 4, 7-10 and 13-25. This <u>second</u> preliminary amendment places the specification in better conformance with standard U.S. practice. New claims 26-49 have been added and their subject matter corresponds

to that disclosed in canceled claims 3, 4, 7-10 and 13-24. No new matter was added.

After entry of this second preliminary amendment, claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 11, 12 and 26-49 are pending. Thus, the pending claims include thirty (30) claims in total, five (5) independent, and no multiple dependent.

Applicant respectfully requests consideration of claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 11, 12 and 26-49.

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